

AB 2148  
State Highway Emergency Storm Repair Contracts

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Sponsor: California Department of Transportation

THE PROBLEM

When the State Highway System experiences a significant amount of storm damage, the Department of Transportation has the authority to suspend the normal competitive bidding process for repair contracts. As a result, the costs for such repairs increase and small businesses are placed at a disadvantage.

THE BILL

This legislation authorizes the Department of Transportation to enter into “On-Call Storm Damage Mitigation Contracts.” These contracts would be competitively bid in advance and on an annual basis in preparation for its anticipated storm damage response needs.

AB 2148 will accelerate the Department’s ability to respond to storm damage repairs, expand opportunities for small businesses to bid on storm damage repair contracts, and provide fiscal savings through a reduction in the number of emergency contracts awarded without the use of a competitive bidding process

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